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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAID, EG, JO, SY  
SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT  
SADAT ON AID LEGISLATION

REF: PARA 4, CAIRO 7735

1. AS PRESIDENT SADAT HAD REQUESTED, I MET WITH  
PRIME MINISTER HEGAZI TODAY AND TOLD HIM ABOUT  
PRESIDENT FORD'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT SADAT ON THE  
SUBJECT OF AID LEGISLATION. I ALSO TOLD HIM ABOUT  
NEW YORK TIMES DISCLOSURE OF SECTIONS OF CAIRO 7505,  
STRESSING AS I HAD WITH THE PRESIDENT THAT PRESIDENT  
FORD'S LETTER IS THE LATEST STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT.  
I INDICATED WE WERE NOT COMMENTING ON  
THE NEW YORK  
TIMES STORY.

2. HEGAZI SAID THE PRESIDENT HAD MENTIONED OUR  
DISCUSSION OF THE OTHER NIGHT AND TOLD HIM I WOULD  
PROVIDE DETAILS. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION, BUT ALSO  
VOICED PERSONAL REGRET AT LONG DELAY IN PASSAGE OF  
AID LEGISLATION. EGYPT, HE REITERATED, NEEDS USG  
ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. HE HOPED NEEDED LEGISLATION  
MIGHT BE ENACTED SOONEST. HE ECHOED VIEW THAT  
IF PROMISED US HELP FALLS THROUGH, THIS COULD HAVE  
SERIOUS POLITICAL REPERCUSSIONS HERE. IN RECENT CALL  
BY SOVIET CHARGE, HE HAD GOTTEN IMPRESSION THAT  
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SOVIETS INTEND TO MAKE FAHMY'S UPCOMING TRIP TO

MOSCOW A FAILURE. HE FEARED PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE THAT  
PROMISED US AID MAY BE IN DOUBT COULD FURTHER ENCOURAGE  
THEM TO TRY TO "SQUEEZE" EGYPT.

3. EXPRESSING CONCERN AT LEAK OF MY CLASSIFIED CABLE,  
HE HOPED REPORTS ON SENSITIVE CONVERSATIONS WITH GOE  
WILL BE ADEQUATELY PROTECTED. I ASSURED HIM EVERY  
EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO DO SO.  
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